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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This specification of this application was filed on 29 February 2000 as PCT International Application Number PCT/GB00/00710 with a claim of priority to Singapore application no 9900926-8, filed 15 March 1999.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the claims

Please cancel the claims in the International Application and substitute the following claims therefor:

1. An educational tool, search tool or entertainment system comprising a plurality of identification means each associated with a respective item, the identification means comprising programmable machine-readable identification information, a reader for detecting and interrogating the identification means to identify the respective items associated therewith, the reader being operable to establish the order in which the multiple identification means are detected, and processing means operable to react in a predetermined manner to the identification of the detected item.

2. A tool or system according to Claim 1, wherein the processing means includes software to cause the system to react in a predetermined manner to the order in which the multiple identification means are detected.

3. A tool or system according to Claim 1, wherein the reader and/or the identification means includes a counter incrementable each time a particular

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